



# GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## 2013 REGULAR SESSION

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SENATE BILL NO. 34

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The following bill was reported to the House from the Senate and ordered to be printed.

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BY R. Allen

1 AN ACT relating to the provision of information relative to Down syndrome.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 (1) For the purposes of this section, "Down syndrome" means a chromosomal  
6 condition caused by cell division that results in the presence of an extra whole or  
7 partial copy of chromosome 21.

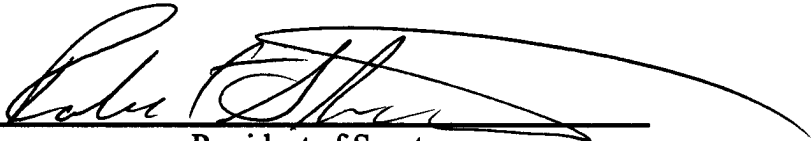
8 (2) A health facility as defined in KRS 216B.015(13), physician, health care provider,  
9 nurse midwife, or genetic counselor who renders prenatal care, postnatal care, or  
10 genetic counseling, upon receipt of a positive test result from a test for Down  
11 syndrome, shall provide the expectant or new parent with information provided  
12 by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services under subsection (3) of this  
13 section.

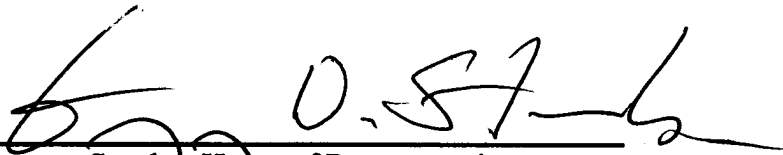
14 (3) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall make available to any person  
15 who renders prenatal care, postnatal care, or genetic counseling to parents who  
16 receive a prenatal or postnatal diagnosis of Down syndrome and to any person  
17 who has received a positive test result from a test for Down syndrome the  
18 following:

19 (a) Up-to-date, evidence-based, written information about Down syndrome that  
20 has been reviewed by medical experts and Down syndrome organizations  
21 and includes information on physical, developmental, educational, and  
22 psychosocial outcomes, life expectancy, clinical course, intellectual and  
23 functional development, and treatment options; and

24 (b) Contact information regarding support programs and services for expectant  
25 and new parents of children with Down syndrome, including information  
26 hotlines specific to Down syndrome, resource centers or clearinghouses,  
27 national and local Down syndrome organizations such as Down Syndrome

1       of Louisville, Down Syndrome Association of Central Kentucky, Down  
2       Syndrome Association of South Central Kentucky, Green River Area Down  
3       Syndrome Association, Down Syndrome Association of Greater Cincinnati  
4       Serving Northern Kentucky, Council on Developmental Disabilities, and  
5       other education and support programs.

  
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President of Senate

  
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Speaker-House of Representatives

Attest:   
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Chief Clerk of Senate

Approved   
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Governor

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